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Aerostar Wagon



FORD AEROSTAR: THE EVOLUTION OF A SUPERIOR MINI-VAN CONTINUES.

Behind the wheel, with a driver's-eye view of the newly designed instrument panel, is the best vantage point to begin an evaluation of the 1992 Aerostar.

Because even though Aerostar was a success right from the start, we've never stopped thinking of ways to make it better. That's what *continuous improvement* is all about, and it's the foundation of our philosophy.

This year, Aerostar's new instrument panel goes forward in appearance and function, with ergonomically improved controls and features. There's also a new driver air bag that supplements your safety belts. Air bag effectiveness depends on wearing your safety belt, so always buckle up.

Regular- or extended-length bodystyle. 2- or 4-wheel drive. 3.0 or 4.0 liter

V-6 power. A wide range of seating configurations. With Ford Aerostar, the choice is yours.



Aerostar's new instrument panel (Eddie Bauer series shown) includes multi-function stalk-mounted controls that are more "user friendly" as well as a passenger-side glove box. The shift lever for the optional automatic transmission is column mounted, freeing floor space for a new mini console.





COMFORTABLE TO RIDE IN, COMFORTING TO BE IN.

An important part of Aerostar's new interior environment is the standard driver air bag, which is designed to be used in conjunction with the 3-point lap/shoulder safety belt (3-point safety belts also provided for all rear outboard occupants). The new driver air bag, the new brake/shift interlock (which prevents

shifting out of park unless the brake is depressed), standard rear anti lock brakes and available full-time 4-wheel drive make the 1992 Aerostar the finest Ford mini-van to date.

But as significant as these improvements are, most of Aerostar's pleasing virtues remain happily *unchanged*. Roominess is a good exam-

ple. Aerostar seats up to seven adults in comfort and there's ample move-around space to make it easy for them to get to their seats.

Ease of entry is another plus. Front doors are tall and wide. The side door to the rear compartment is large and slides open easily. What's more, there's a comfortably low "step-in" height

that makes entering and exiting convenient.

Aerostar's seats have been designed to help hold you firmly and comfortably in an upright position and are available in comfortable 5- or 7-passenger arrangements, depending on which series you choose.

But seating variety is only the beginning of Aerostar

versatility. When more space is needed for carrying cargo, the rear bench seat(s) are designed with a "quick-release" feature for easy removal. The seat anchors are recessed, providing a flat load floor. Rear bench seat backs also fold forward to provide a convenient cargo-carrying area without seat removal (except with

the seat/bed configuration).

Aerostar's spare tire is located outside, under the body, allowing 135.5 cu. ft. of cargo space inside the standard-length model and 164 cu. ft. in the extended-length model with the rear seat(s) removed. And loading or unloading is easy through either the sliding side door or the rear liftgate.

The Eddie Bauer interior shown above features optional quad captain's chairs and leather seating surfaces, new for 1992. A special Eddie Bauer luggage set is included with all Eddie Bauer Aerostars.

Left to right: The new column-mounted shift for automatic transmissions frees up room for the handy mini console.

The optional seat/bed is ideal for overnight stops on long trips (standard with Eddie Bauer). A driver air bag is standard equipment on all 1992 Aerostars.





THE EDDIE BAUER AEROSTAR STANDS APART IN BOTH APPEARANCE AND STANDARD EQUIPMENT.

The Eddie Bauer is a very special Aerostar. The reclining captain's chairs feature power lumbar supports. The 2- and 3-passenger rear benches fold down to form a bed — ideal for overnight stops on trips (or choose the quad captain's chairs, available at no extra charge). Special cloth trim covers the seats. The floor mats are carpeted (front mats are monogrammed) and the steering wheel is wrapped in leather.

The high-capacity heater/air conditioner has a separate fan control for 2nd-row passengers. Electronic instrumentation, a sophisticated stereo system and a trip computer are included.

Privacy™ glass, a floor console, power windows and door locks, electric remote-control mirrors (Preferred Equipment Package items), as well as a rear defroster/wiper/washer, interval

wipers and a roof-mounted luggage rack are included. Also included is a special luggage set which comes directly from Eddie Bauer.

A WORD ABOUT PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGES

Eddie Bauer, XLT, and XL Plus are available as Preferred Equipment Packages, popular equipment items which, as a group, represent a savings compared with the manufacturer's suggested retail prices for the items if purchased separately. You can get a well-equipped vehicle at a substantial discount. One or more package items may be deleted, but the package discount would no longer apply.

See the back cover for packages. Content is subject to change and your dealer is always your best source for current product information.

Left: The unique Eddie Bauer paint scheme includes a Mocha Frost Clearcoat Metallic lower accent, shown here with Electric Red Clearcoat Metallic. Additional upper body choices are Medium Mocha Clearcoat Metallic, Currant Red, Twilight Blue Clearcoat Metallic, Deep Emerald Green Clearcoat Metallic, Raven Black and Oxford White.



Regular-length Aerostar's compact exterior helps it get in and out of the tight spots — a big benefit when space is limited.



Sized-right Aerostar fits into most garages with sedan-like ease.

THE BETTER YOU
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FORD AEROSTAR.

Aerostar XL delivers outstanding value in a quality mini-van. Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with digital clock (may be deleted for credit), tinted glass, rear window wiper/washer, full wrapover door trim, full-length carpeting and interval wipers are just some of its many standard features.

The Aerostar XL Plus Package is what you get when you take all the desir-

able qualities of the XL and add still more comfort and convenience, and it's packed with value. Air conditioning, Privacy™ glass, speed control, tilt wheel, and the distinctive deluxe tape stripe make up this attractively equipped (and priced) Aerostar choice.

Aerostar XLT offers an even higher level of convenience- and comfort-oriented features for those who are used to driving a fully equipped vehicle. Its 7-passenger seating includes dual front captain's chairs and 2- and 3-passenger rear bench seats, all upholstered in handsome XLT cloth.

XLT-level features include air conditioning, tilt wheel, speed control, lower two-tone paint treatment, full-face wheel covers, and such Preferred Equipment Package items as an electronic AM/FM stereo radio with cassette, rear window defroster and Privacy™ glass.



Top: Aerostar XL Plus with optional two-tone Electric Red Clearcoat Metallic with Medium Platinum Clearcoat accent.

Center: Aerostar XLT interior in Mocha.

Left: The optional Sport Appearance Package (XL Plus and XLT) includes a silver accent below the rocker panel. Shown in Raven Black, other choices are Electric Red Clearcoat Metallic, Twilight Blue Clearcoat Metallic, Medium Platinum Clearcoat, and Silver Clearcoat Metallic.

Far left: Aerostar XLT in Deep Emerald Green Clearcoat Metallic over Medium Mocha Clearcoat Metallic.

Among Aerostar's noteworthy improvements since its introduction, the 4-wheel drive system is the most sophisticated. It offers full-time capability with car-like comfort. This is not 4-wheel drive in the off-road, utility-vehicle sense. Instead, it's designed to help maintain control, automatically, whether you're on smooth, dry pavement or dealing with unpaved back roads or a snow shower. But not at the expense of good fuel economy. Aerostar's 4WD mileage ratings were within 1 mpg of its 2-wheel-drive counterpart (based on 1991 EPA estimates, 1992 data

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unavailable at press time). Aerostar's optional computer-controlled 4-wheel drive is operational full time and requires no driver input. It's always on, always adjusting the flow of engine power and torque to the wheels, providing optimized 4-wheel traction regardless of weather or road conditions. This extraordinary system is the state of the art in 4WD technology.

When the weather's fine, the system simply assigns $\frac{1}{2}$ of the power and torque to the front driving wheels, and $\frac{1}{2}$ to the rear driving wheels. This rear-biased apportioning maintains Aerostar's excellent towing capability. At the same time, the pulling of the front driving wheels improves vehicle handling and control.



It's when the weather *isn't* so good that the advanced technology in this system takes over. The computer can determine when a wheel begins to slip by an abnormal increase in its rotation speed. The drive shaft of the slipping wheel is immediately "locked" for a few seconds to the other drive shaft (front or rear) with non-slipping wheels, preventing the slipping wheel from sapping power from the wheels that are maintaining traction.

Then the computer releases the transfer case differential lock and "checks" to see if the slipping still exists. If it does, the shafts are locked again. This cycle is repeated until normal 4-wheel traction is achieved. All you have to do as the driver is enjoy the increased control. Aerostar's 4-wheel drive system complements the rear anti lock braking system, which takes over when needed during hard braking. Each system responds only to the situation for which it's intended, and you get the benefits of both.



BIG TOWING CAPABILITY.
A properly equipped standard-length 2WD Aerostar Wagon is rated to tow up to 4,800 pounds (reduced by passenger and cargo weight in the towing vehicle). With the 4-wheel-drive Aerostar, driver control of that capability is enhanced under most road conditions.

A VERSATILE SUSPENSION.
Comfort begins at road level. Aerostar's 4-corner coil spring suspension is equipped with shock absorbers which suppress the foaming of their hydraulic fluid due to rapid bumps or similar agitation. This means the ride is smooth under normal circumstances, yet firm enough for rough going. The suspension is also equipped with a front stabilizer bar and variable-rate rear coil springs, which enhance handling.

EFFICIENT DESIGN.
With its low .38 coefficient of drag (.39 for Extended Wagon), Aerostar's design helps it overcome wind resistance, reducing the power needed to maintain cruising speed. Because the engine doesn't have to work as hard, it consumes less fuel. And the shape not only reduces wind resistance, it also directs air flow in such a way as to help decrease front and rear lift, which contributes to handling.

SMART BRAKES.
The rear anti lock brake system is designed to inhibit brake-induced rear-wheel lockup under most operating conditions. An electronic module activates solenoids to modulate rear brake pressure any time rear-wheel lockup is detected. The result is more controlled rear braking.

ADVANCED TRANSMISSIONS.
A 5-speed manual overdrive transmission is standard in Aerostar. Ford's 4-speed Automatic Overdrive transmission is optional. A heavy-duty 4-speed Automatic Overdrive is included with the 4.0 liter V-6 engine. Both feature an electronically controlled torque converter clutch for efficient operation, especially at highway speeds.

CAPABLE POWER.
The standard engine is the 3.0 liter V-6. A larger 4.0 liter V-6 is standard with Eddie Bauer extended-length models and all 4WD models. It's optional with extended-length 2WD models. Both powerplants feature multi-port electronic fuel injection and Ford's EEC-IV engine control, which instantaneously adjusts the fuel-air mixture and ignition timing to optimize power, response and efficiency.

COLOR AVAILABILITY	XL/XL Plus	XLT	Eddie Bauer
Mocha Frost Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	
Medium Mocha Clearcoat Metallic	■		■
Current Red	■	■	■
Electric Red Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	■
Medium Platinum Clearcoat	■	■	
Crystal Blue Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	
Twilight Blue Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	■
Deep Emerald Green Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	■
Raven Black	■	■	■
Silver Clearcoat Metallic	■	■	
Oxford White	■	■	■

Note: Interior trim colors are Crystal Blue, Current Red, Medium Grey and Mocha. See your dealer for exterior/interior compatibility as well as two-tone combinations.

AEROSTAR PREFERRED EQUIPMENT PACKAGES

Note: Package content is subject to change.
X = Included in package S = Standard O = Optional

	XL 400A	XL Plus 401A	XLT 403A	Eddie Bauer 405A
7-passenger XL cloth seating/dual captain's chairs	O	S		
7-passenger XLT cloth seating/dual captain's chairs with power lumbar and map pockets			S	
7-passenger seating (premium cloth with Eddie Bauer)/dual captain's chairs (power lumbar and map pockets included with XLT and Eddie Bauer) and 2- and 3- passenger seat/bed	O	O	O	S
Air conditioning	O	X	S	S
Privacy™ glass		X	X	X
Deluxe paint stripe (1)		X		
Speed control and tilt steering wheel	O	X	S	S
Electric rear window defroster	O	O	X	S
Exterior appearance group (2)	O	O	O	
Swing-lock outside mirrors	O	O		
Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape and clock (3)	O	O	X	S
Electronics group (4)	O	O	O	S
Luggage rack	O	O	O	S
Power convenience group (5)	O	O	X	X
Floor console (1)	O	O	O	X
Powertrains				
3.0L Automatic Overdrive (standard with Eddie Bauer Regular Wagon)	O	O	O	S
4.0L/HD Automatic Overdrive (6)	O	O	O	S
Tires				
P215/70R14SL WSW all-season	O	O	O	O
P215/75R14SL BSW or WSW all-season (7)	O	O	O	O
Optional Seating				
7-passenger XL vinyl with front bucket seats	O			
5-passenger XL cloth with dual captain's chairs	O			
7-passenger XLT cloth with quad captain's chairs			O	
7-passenger XLT cloth with quad captain's chairs and 3-passenger seat/bed (premium cloth or leather with Eddie Bauer)			O	O
Other Options				
Front and rear auxiliary air conditioner/heater	O	O	O	S
Limited-slip rear axle	O	O	O	O
Electronic 4-wheel drive (4WD)	O	O	O	O
Engine block heater	O	O	O	O
Front license plate bracket	O	O	O	O
Light group (8)	O	O	S	S
Body-side protection molding	O	O	O	O
Sport appearance package (9)	O	O	O	
Trailer towing package (10)	O	O	O	O
Underseat storage bin	O	S	S	S
Forged aluminum wheels	O	O	O	S

(1) May be deleted for credit. (2) Includes styled wheel covers, outside swing-lock mirrors, Privacy™ glass and deluxe two-tone paint. (3) Includes rear radio controls, 1/4" headphone jacks, two headphones, and six speakers. (4) Includes the autolamp system, electrochromic mirror, and the electronic instrument cluster (speedometer, tachometer, warning center, trip computer and system scanner). Also includes the super sound system: electronic AM/FM stereo radio with cassette tape and clock; premium sound; graphic equalizer. (5) Includes power windows and door locks and dual remote-control electric mirrors. (6) Standard with 4WD models and Eddie Bauer extended wagons; optional with extended-length 2WD models only. (7) Not available with 4WD or regular-length 2WD models. Required with 7-passenger extended-length 2WD models. (8) Includes glove box, under instrument panel, under hood and ashtray lamps; headlamps on warning; illuminated entry system. (9) Includes forged aluminum wheels, body-side and liftgate sport striping, body color headlamp frames and grille, high-gloss silver integral running boards, and high-gloss silver metallic paint on bumper and lower body-side. (10) Includes class I wiring harness, heavy-duty turn signal flasher and limited-slip axle. (11) Includes courtesy lamp switches (all doors) and cargo lamp. (12) Extended model has one additional bin in the right-hand panel and two bins in the floor.

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The options shown or described in this catalog are available at extra cost and may be offered only in combination with other options or subject to additional ordering requirements or limitations.



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Following publication of this catalog, certain changes in standard equipment, options, prices and the like, or product delays, may have occurred which would not be included in these pages. Your Ford Dealer is your best source for up-to-date information.

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MAJOR STANDARD FEATURES

Exterior

- Color-coordinated front and rear bumpers
- Tinted glass
- Aero foldaway mirrors (RH convex)
- Flush windshield, body-side and liftgate window surround moldings
- Underbody space saver spare tire carrier (except with regular-length 4WD)
- Front spoiler
- Full-face wheel covers
- Sliding glass in the side door and opposite windows

Interior

- 5-Passenger vinyl seating, with front buckets and 3-passenger rear bench
- Driver air bag with color-keyed integral lap/shoulder belts for all outboard occupants, rear center lap belt
- Full-length color-keyed carpeting
- Full wrapover door trim
- Carpet-covered engine cover
- Inside fuel filler door release
- Rear window washer/wiper
- Interval front wipers
- Full-length color-keyed cloth headliner
- Four-gauge mechanical instrumentation
- Front dome and stepwell lights
- 10" day/night rearview mirror
- Convenience group (11)
- Rear vinyl-covered quarter trim panels
- Electronic AM/FM stereo radio with digital clock (may be deleted for credit) (3)
- 3 rear body-side storage bins (2 on Eddie Bauer with aux. A/C and heater) (12)
- Cloth-covered sun visors with sunglass strap and visor mirror

Technical

- 3.0 liter V-6 engine with multi-port EFI
- 5-Speed manual overdrive transmission
- Power steering
- Power brakes with rear anti lock system
- Gas-pressurized shock absorbers
- P215/70R14 BSW all-season tires
- 21-gallon fuel tank



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